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In answer to an Order of the House of Commons, dated the 14th May, 1906, calling for a statement showing, (1) What aid has been given by the Dominion government to the governments of the various provinces of the Dominion since confederation, for or towards the building of provincial railways, either by original aid or by ultimately bearing a share of the cost of such undertakings ; (2) What railway subsidies or aids originally granted or agreed to be granted, by the provinces respectively, have been ultimately paid or borne by the Dominion in aid of such railways during such period ; (3) What moneys have been paid by the Dominion to the several provinces, respectively, during such period for or in respect of such railways or the stock or bonds thereof, respectively, purchased, acquired or taken over in whole or in part by the Dominion.

R. W. SCOTT,
Secretary of State.

DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS AND CANALS,

OTTAWA, June 15, 1906.

STATEMENT showing (1) What aid has been given by the Dominion government to the governments of the various provinces of the Dominion since confederation, for or towards the building of provincial railways either by original aid or by ultimately bearing a share of the cost of such undertakings ; (2) What railway subsidies or aids originally granted or agreed to be granted, by the provinces respectively, have been ultimately paid or borne by the Dominion in aid of such railways during such period ; (3) What moneys have been paid by the Dominion to the several provinces, respectively, during such period for or in respect of such railways or the stocks or bonds thereof, respectively purchased, acquired or taken over in whole or in part by the Dominion :

(1) Nil.....	
(2) Nil.....	
(3) Province of Nova Scotia for the purchase of the Eastern Extension Railway.....	\$1,429,682 21
Province of New Brunswick for line between Painsec Junction and boundary of Nova Scotia....	150,000 00
Province of Nova Scotia for interest on purchase of Eastern Extension Railway..	2,055 92
Province of Quebec, annual interest at 5 per cent on railway from Montreal to Quebec, \$954,000, and Montreal to Ottawa, \$1,440,000. Total amount of interest paid to January 1, 1906..	2,513,700 00

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